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Offered by:

REP. MINER, 66th Dist.

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING DAMAGE BY ROAMING LIVESTOCK AND DOGS."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 22-357 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 5 If any dog does any damage to either the body or property of any
- 6 person, the owner or keeper, or, if the owner or keeper is a minor, the
- 7 parent or guardian of such minor, [shall] may be liable for such
- 8 damage, except [when] such owner, keeper, parent or guardian shall
- not be liable if such damage [has been] was occasioned to the body or
- 10 property of a person who, at the time such damage was sustained, was
- 11 committing a trespass or other tort, or was teasing, tormenting or
- 12 abusing such dog. If a minor, on whose behalf an action under this
- 13 section is brought, was under seven years of age at the time the

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14 damage was done, it shall be presumed that such minor was not

- 15 committing a trespass or other tort, or teasing, tormenting or abusing
- such dog, and the burden of proof thereof shall be upon the defendant
- in such action."